

# GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

## *Highlights*



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## Introduction

The first edition of the *County Highlights* was published in 1993. Lillian Miles, then Labor Market Analyst for the Gary Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area, originated the idea for this descriptive area publication.

*Highlights* are now a web publication and, as a result, the data can be updated throughout the year, not just on an annual basis. These *Highlights* are available in easy-to-use web format but are also printable and e-mailable and provide a snapshot of critical population and workforce statistics for each of Indiana’s 92 counties, 11 Economic Growth Regions, and the State of Indiana.

Each *Highlights* includes an overview of the demographics and workforce of an area, from its population to the size of its labor force and the industry mix of jobs and wages.

Don’t hesitate to contact your regional analyst if you need further information about your area.



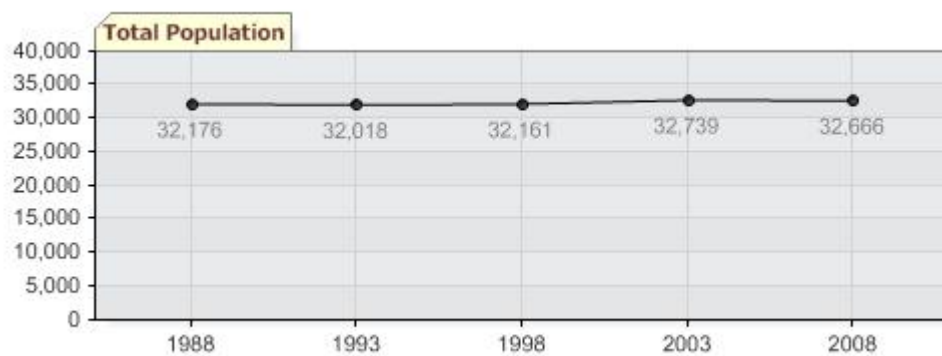
## Location

Gibson County is located in southwest Indiana. The county is bordered on the west by the Wabash River and the State of Illinois. Knox County borders to the north; Pike County is to the east; and Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties to the south. Gibson County is one of the nine counties located in the area designated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development as Indiana Economic Growth Region 11. Gibson County along with Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties in Indiana are part of the Evansville Metropolitan Statistical Area.

## Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

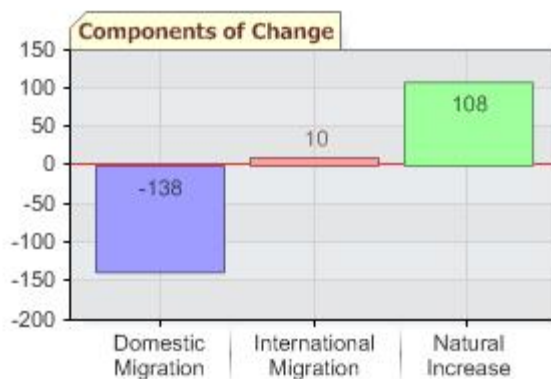
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	32,176	32,018	32,161	32,739	32,666
Change Since 1988		-158	-15	563	490
Pct. Change Since 1988		-0.5%	-0.0%	1.7%	1.5%



Source: US Census Bureau

## Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-138
International Migration	10
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	108
Births	415
Deaths	307



Source: US Census Bureau

## Population Estimates by Age in 2007

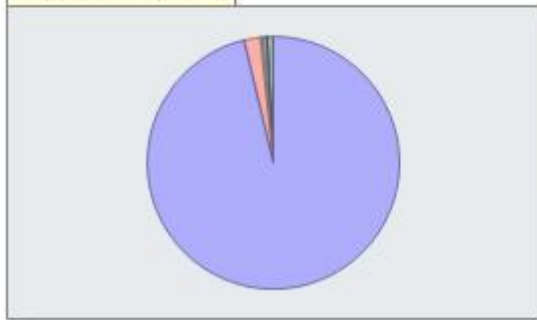
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	2,097	6.4%
School Age	5,653	17.3%
College Age	2,710	8.3%
Young Adult	8,538	26.1%
Older Adult	8,875	27.1%
Older (65 plus)	4,881	14.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

## Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	63	0.2%
Asian Alone	210	0.6%
Black Alone	690	2.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	1	0.0%
White Alone	31,520	96.4%
Two or More Race Groups	270	0.8%

Population by Race



96.36 %	White
2.11 %	Black
0.19 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.64 %	Asian
0.00 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.83 %	Two or More

## Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	32,467	99.3%
Hispanic or Latino	287	0.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

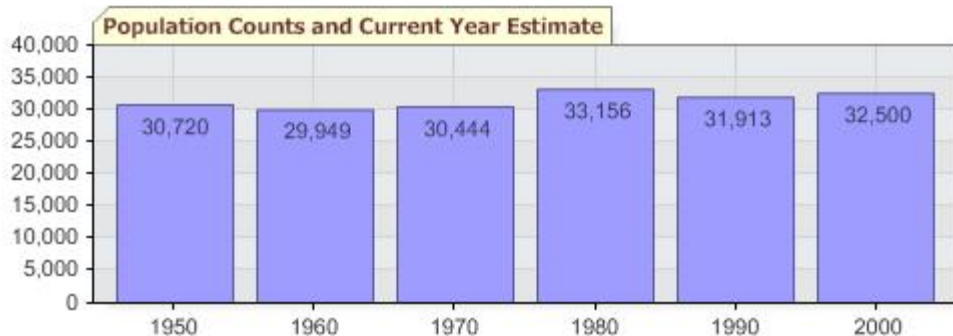
## Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
<b>Total Households</b>	12,847	100.0%
Family Households	9,092	70.8%
Married with Children	3,128	24.3%
Married without Children	4,334	33.7%
Single Parents	991	7.7%
Other	639	5.0%
Non-family Households	3,755	29.2%
Living Alone	3,302	25.7%
<b>Average Household Size</b>	2.53	
<b>Average Family Household Size</b>	3.58	

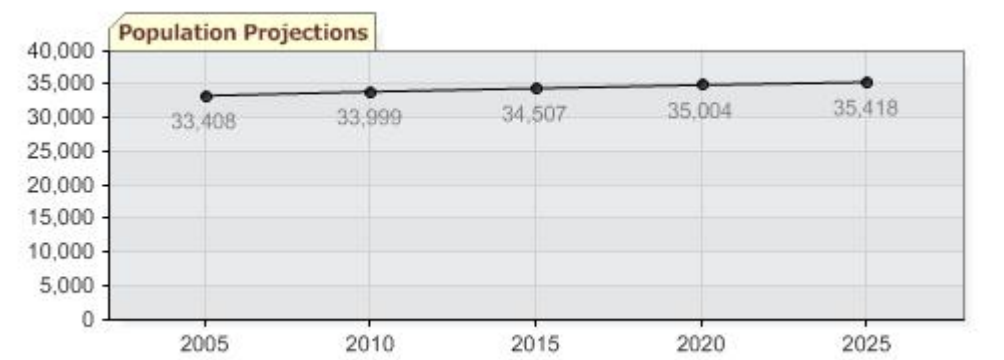
Source: US Census Bureau

## Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	30,720	NA	NA
1960	29,949	-771	-2.5%
1970	30,444	495	1.7%
1980	33,156	2,712	8.9%
1990	31,913	-1,243	-3.7%
April 2000	32,500	587	1.8%
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A



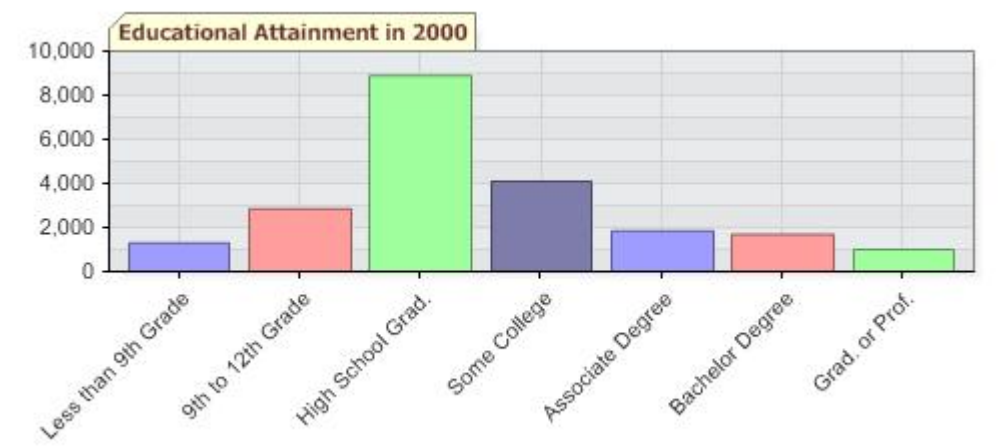
Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	33,408	33,999	34,507	35,004	35,418
Change Since 2005		591	1,099	1,596	2,010
Pct. Change Since 2005		1.8%	3.3%	4.8%	6.0%



## Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	17,480	19,858	20,949	21,694
Less than 9th Grade	5,315	4,071	2,072	1,297
9th to 12th, No Diploma	3,431	3,463	3,625	2,855
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	6,467	8,364	8,789	8,892
Some College, No Degree			3,215	4,107
Associate Degree			1,334	1,848
Bachelors Degree			1,179	1,692
Graduate or Professional Degree			735	1,003

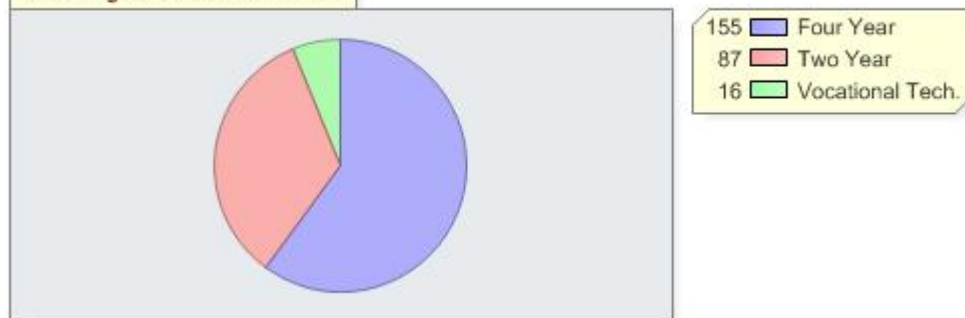




## High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Total Graduates</b>	333	350	345	308
<b>Total to Higher Education</b>	287	308	294	258
<b>Four-Year Institution</b>	189	185	189	155
<b>Two-Year Institution</b>	76	97	83	87
<b>Vocational/Tech.</b>	22	26	22	16
<b>Military</b>	9	11	5	8

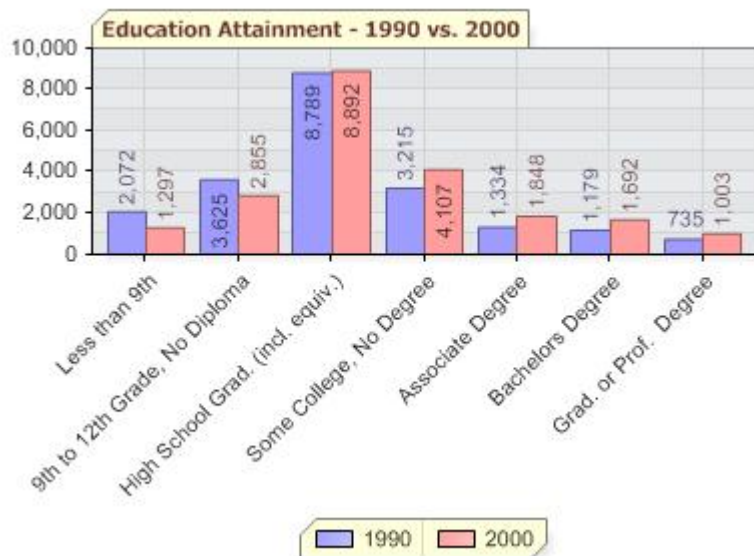
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

## Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
<b>Total Population 25+</b>	20,949	100.0%	21,694	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	2,072	9.9%	1,297	6.0%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	3,625	17.3%	2,855	13.2%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	8,789	42.0%	8,892	41.0%
Some College, No Degree	3,215	15.3%	4,107	18.9%
Associate Degree	1,334	6.4%	1,848	8.5%
Bachelors Degree	1,179	5.6%	1,692	7.8%
Graduate or Professional Degree	735	3.5%	1,003	4.6%

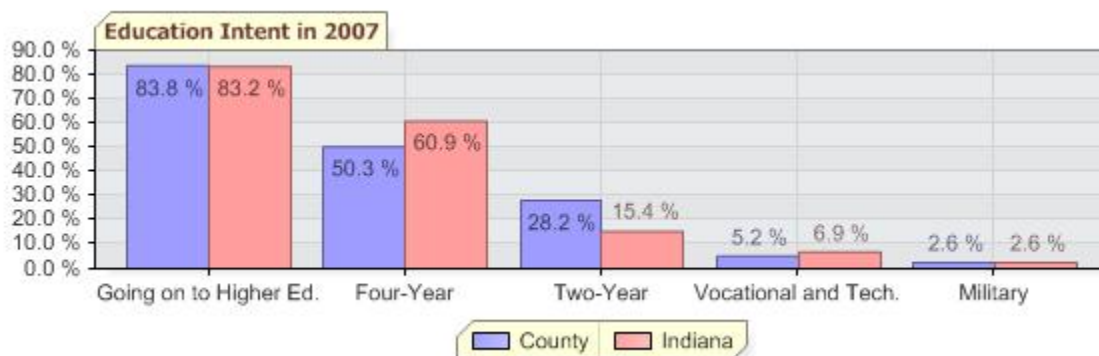


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.

<b>Graduates</b>	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	83.8%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	50.3%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	28.2%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	5.2%	6.9%
Military	2.6%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education

## Commuting

In Indiana, most workers commute to a job, either within their home county or beyond. Patterns of commuting are significant in showing the labor supply. The county *labor force* represents workers who reside in the county no matter where they work. Two types of commuting patterns are provided here - the Census 2000 *benchmark* and the annual data tabulated from state income tax returns that can help provide a more current view.

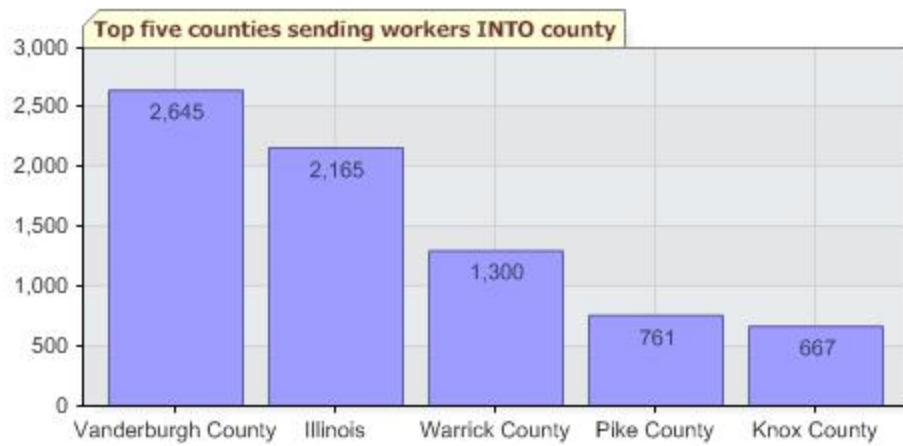
### Commuting Data, 2007

	Number
Number of tax filers who live in county and work	22,973
Number of tax filers who work in the county	27,657
Number of tax filers who live in county and work in county	18,279
Number of tax filers who live out of the county and work in county	9,378

Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Commuting Patterns: Top five counties sending workers INTO county, 2007

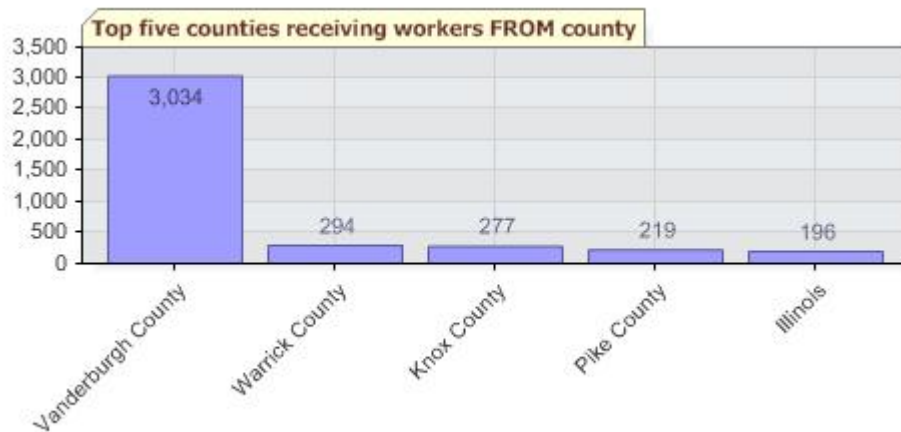
County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Vanderburgh County	2,645	35.1%
Illinois	2,165	28.7%
Warrick County	1,300	17.2%
Pike County	761	10.1%
Knox County	667	8.9%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Commuting Patterns: Top five counties receiving workers FROM county, 2007

County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Vanderburgh County	3,034	75.5%
Warrick County	294	7.3%
Knox County	277	6.9%
Pike County	219	5.4%
Illinois	196	4.9%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

### Travel To Work in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
<b>Total Workers Age 16 and Over</b>	15,592	100.0%
Travel To Work	15,242	97.8%
Car, Truck, or Van	14,661	94.0%
Traveled Alone	13,066	83.8%
Carpooled	1,595	10.2%
Used Public Transportation	32	0.2%
Motorcycle, Bicycle, Walked, Other	549	3.5%
Worked At Home	350	2.2%
<b>Average Travel Time (Minutes)</b>	23.7	
<b>Average Travel Time using Public Transportation (Minutes)</b>	49.5	

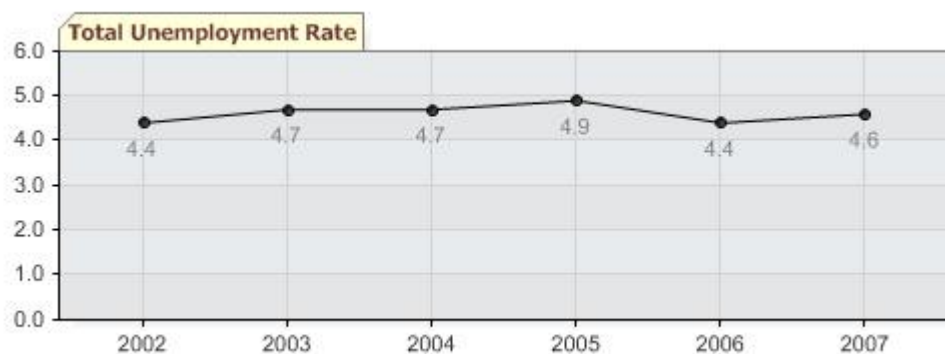


# Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

## Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2007

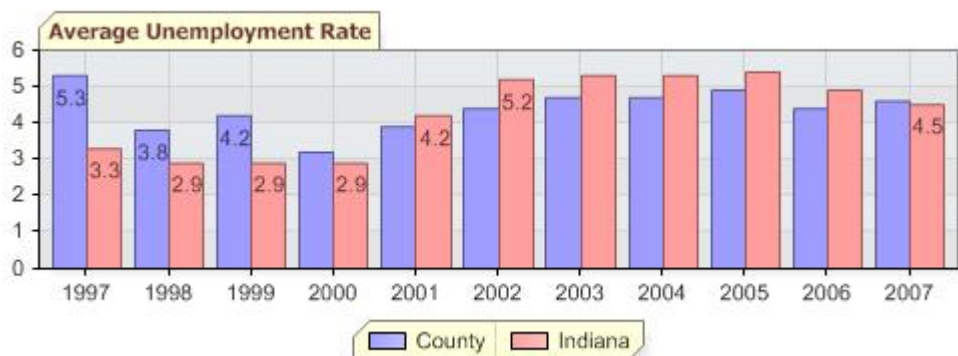
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
<b>Labor Force</b>	16,829	0.0%
<b>Employed</b>	16,062	-1.4%
<b>Unemployed</b>	767	43.1%
<b>Rate</b>	4.6	43.7%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Labor Force Estimates

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Cnty. Rate	State Rate
<b>1997</b>	15,725	14,892	833	5.3	3.3
<b>1998</b>	16,178	15,569	609	3.8	2.9
<b>1999</b>	16,975	16,261	714	4.2	2.9
<b>2000</b>	16,829	16,293	536	3.2	2.9
<b>2001</b>	17,114	16,443	671	3.9	4.2
<b>2002</b>	17,243	16,487	756	4.4	5.2
<b>2003</b>	17,290	16,485	805	4.7	5.3
<b>2004</b>	17,083	16,281	802	4.7	5.3
<b>2005</b>	17,280	16,439	841	4.9	5.4
<b>2006</b>	17,284	16,516	768	4.4	4.9
<b>2007</b>	16,829	16,062	767	4.6	4.5



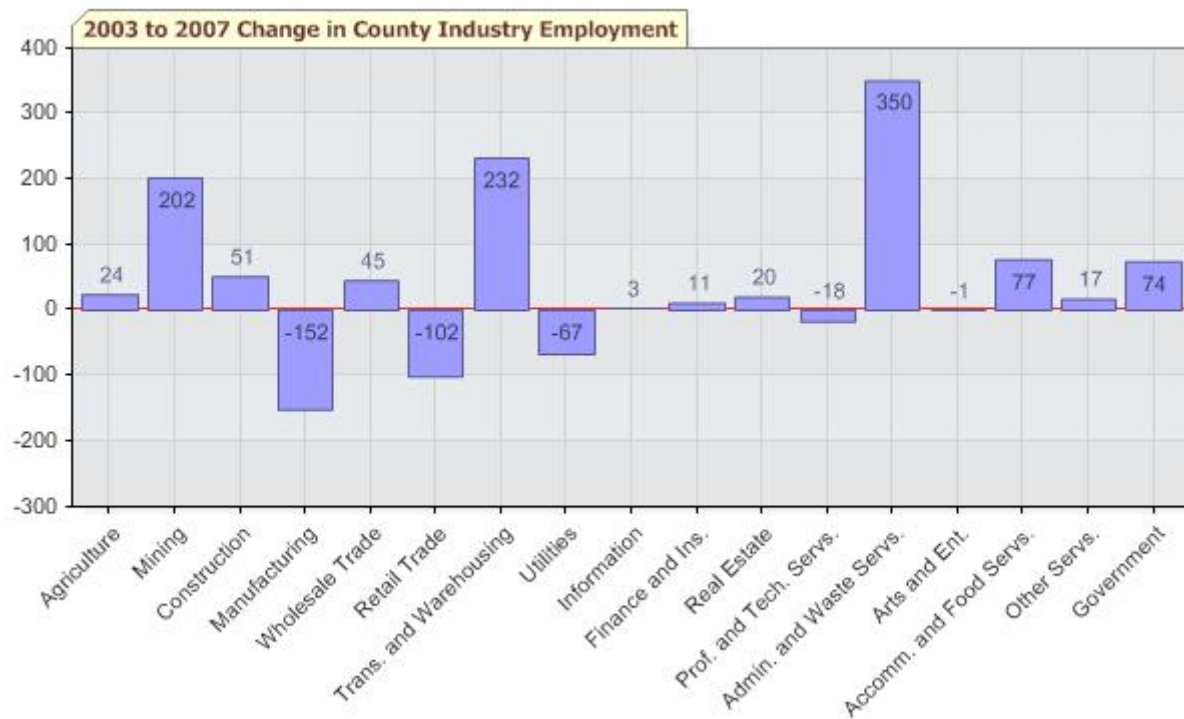
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Employment

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry.

## Average Employment by Sector

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Change 2003-2007	% Change 2003-2007
<b>Total Employment</b>	15,065	15,477	16,026	16,232	16,111	1,046	6.94%
<b>Total Private Employment</b>	13,857	14,254	14,811	15,002	14,829	972	7.01%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	107	97	113	113	131	24	22.43%
Mining	443	503	659	657	645	202	45.60%
Construction	310	297	351	432	361	51	16.45%
Manufacturing	6,508	6,599	6,629	6,531	6,356	-152	-2.34%
Wholesale Trade	196	215	234	248	241	45	22.96%
Retail Trade	1,474	1,427	1,386	1,367	1,372	-102	-6.92%
Transport. and Warehousing	632	806	825	826	864	232	36.71%
Utilities	523	533	523	495	456	-67	-12.81%
Information	95	95	99	100	98	3	3.16%
Finance and Insurance	149	150	158	160	160	11	7.38%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	48	47	63	65	68	20	41.67%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	172	169	157	153	154	-18	-10.47%
Mgmt. of Companies	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	314	414	581	641	664	350	111.46%
Educational Services	577	574	628	643	648	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,013	993	1,011	1,166	1,212	N/A	N/A
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	49	51	46	46	48	-1	-2.04%
Accommodation and Food Service	991	1,011	1,067	1,075	1,068	77	7.77%
Other Services	255	269	278	275	272	17	6.67%
<b>Federal, State, &amp; Local Govt.</b>	1,208	1,223	1,215	1,230	1,282	74	6.13%

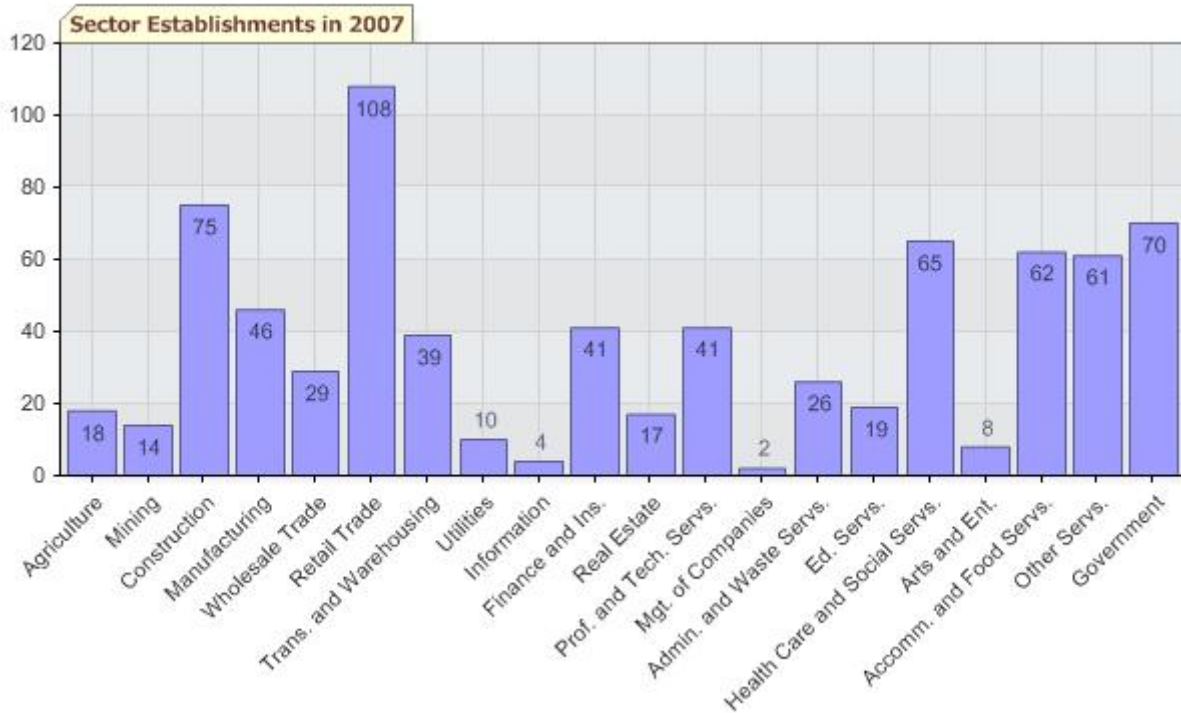


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## Establishments by Sector

Change % Change

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007
<b>Total Establishments</b>	723	726	737	744	753	30	4.15%
<b>Total Private Establishments</b>	672	674	678	681	683	11	1.64%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	17	15	14	16	18	1	5.88%
Mining	10	11	13	15	14	4	40.00%
Construction	81	77	72	74	75	-6	-7.41%
Manufacturing	53	50	48	47	46	-7	-13.21%
Wholesale Trade	27	28	30	29	29	2	7.41%
Retail Trade	107	111	112	107	108	1	0.93%
Transport. and Warehousing	36	37	40	40	39	3	8.33%
Utilities	12	11	11	11	10	-2	-16.67%
Information	5	5	5	4	4	-1	-20.00%
Finance and Insurance	38	36	38	39	41	3	7.89%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	15	15	19	19	17	2	13.33%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	41	42	42	43	41	0	0.00%
Mgmt. of Companies	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	21	23	24	24	26	5	23.81%
Educational Services	20	20	19	19	19	-1	-5.00%
Health Care and Social Assistance	63	64	61	62	65	2	3.17%
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	7	7	7	8	8	1	14.29%
Accommodation and Food Service	59	63	66	65	62	3	5.08%
Other Services	60	59	58	60	61	1	1.67%
<b>Federal, State, &amp; Local Govt.</b>	51	52	59	63	70	19	37.25%



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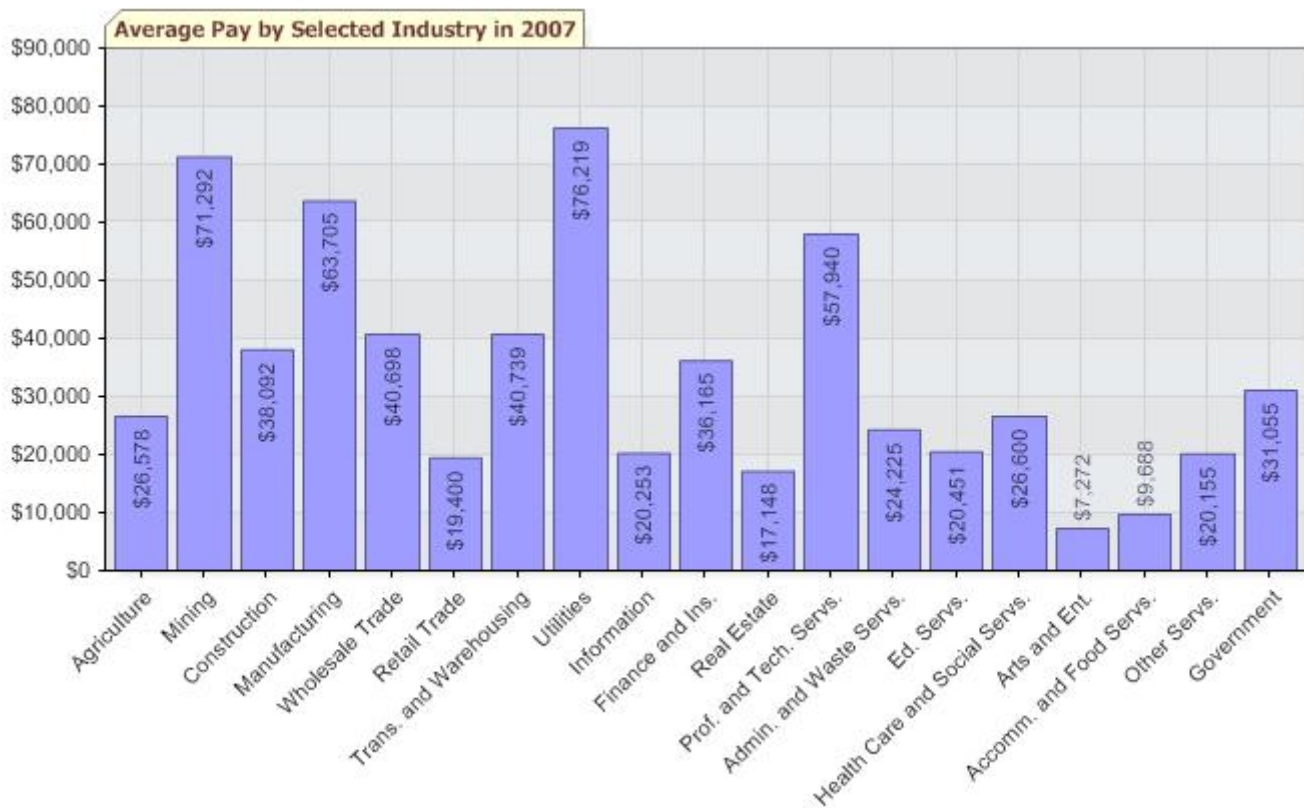
## Earnings and Income

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry. Note: The income figures and changes are not adjusted for inflation.

### Average Annual Earnings by Industry

Change      % Change      Indiana      % of

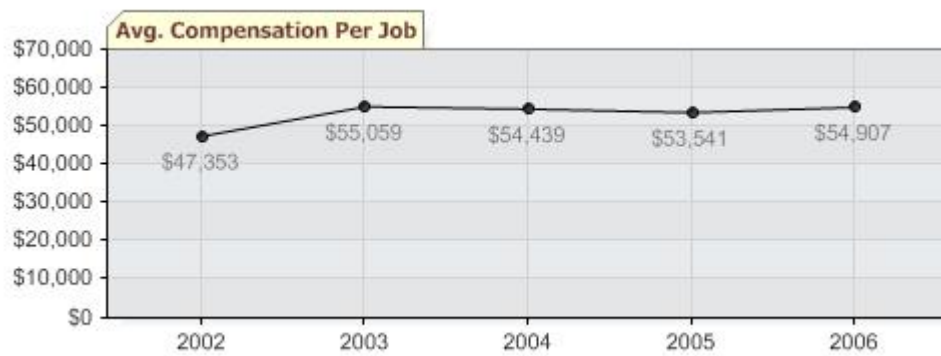
	2003	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007	2007	State
All Industries	\$38,182	\$44,102	\$5,921	15.5%	\$37,530	117.5%
Ag., For., Fishing, & Hunt.	\$20,273	\$26,578	\$6,304	31.1%	\$28,008	94.9%
Mining	\$60,912	\$71,292	\$10,380	17.0%	\$57,315	124.4%
Construction	\$27,749	\$38,092	\$10,343	37.3%	\$44,754	85.1%
Manufacturing	\$52,312	\$63,705	\$11,393	21.8%	\$51,148	124.6%
Wholesale Trade	\$35,060	\$40,698	\$5,638	16.1%	\$51,432	79.1%
Retail Trade	\$17,257	\$19,400	\$2,143	12.4%	\$22,581	85.9%
Trans. & Warehousing	\$34,375	\$40,739	\$6,364	18.5%	\$38,012	107.2%
Utilities	\$65,850	\$76,219	\$10,368	15.7%	\$68,267	111.6%
Information	\$20,349	\$20,253	-\$96	-0.5%	\$46,311	43.7%
Finance & Insurance	\$32,299	\$36,165	\$3,866	12.0%	\$52,649	68.7%
Real Est., Rent., Leasing	\$15,913	\$17,148	\$1,235	7.8%	\$32,614	52.6%
Prof. & Tech. Svcs.	\$57,749	\$57,940	\$190	0.3%	\$51,451	112.6%
Mgt.of Companies	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$72,682	N/A
Admin. & Waste Svcs.	\$20,322	\$24,225	\$3,903	19.2%	\$24,934	97.2%
Education Svcs.	\$19,105	\$20,451	\$1,347	7.0%	\$31,029	65.9%
Health Care & Social Assist.	\$23,862	\$26,600	\$2,738	11.5%	\$37,706	70.5%
Arts, Ent. & Rec.	\$7,430	\$7,272	-\$158	-2.1%	\$29,251	24.9%
Accom. & Food Svcs.	\$8,861	\$9,688	\$827	9.3%	\$12,442	77.9%
Other Svcs.	\$17,104	\$20,155	\$3,051	17.8%	\$24,862	81.1%
Fed.I, State & Local Govt.	\$29,614	\$31,055	\$1,441	4.9%	\$37,054	83.8%



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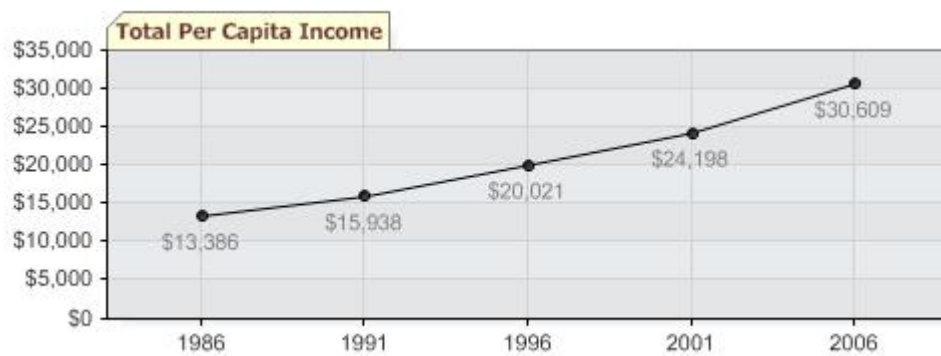
### Average Compensation Per Job Over Time

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Avg. Compensation per Job</b>	\$47,353	\$55,059	\$54,439	\$53,541	\$54,907
<b>Change Since 2002</b>		\$7,706	\$7,086	\$6,188	\$7,554
<b>Pct. Change Since 2002</b>		16.3%	15.0%	13.1%	16.0%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per Capita Income Over Time					
	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006
Total Per Capita Income	\$13,386	\$15,938	\$20,021	\$24,198	\$30,609
Change Since 1986		\$2,552	\$6,635	\$10,812	\$17,223
Pct. Change Since 1986		19.1%	49.6%	80.8%	128.7%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Income & Wage	
	Number
Median family income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Median household income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Average Wage Per Job in 2007 (BLS)	\$44,099
Wage Growth since 1997 (BLS)	98.5%

Source: US Census Bureau & Bureau of Labor Statistics

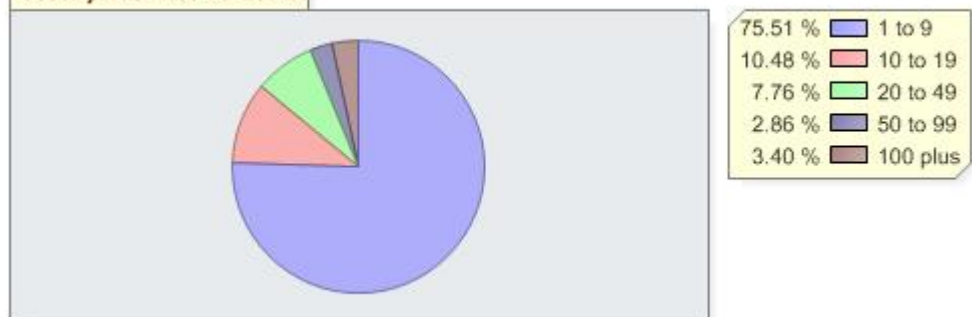
# Firms and Employment by Size

Firm data are available for most counties by the size of the firms and average employment by business unit size.

County Business Patterns, 2006				
	Establishments	Number Chg. 01 to 06	Pct.Chg. 01 to 06	Pct. of Total
1-9 employees	555	-10	-1.8%	75.5%
10-19 employees	77	-5	-6.1%	10.5%
20-49 employees	57	6	11.8%	7.8%

50-99 employees	21	3	16.7%	2.9%
100 plus employees	25	5	25.0%	3.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**County Business Patterns**

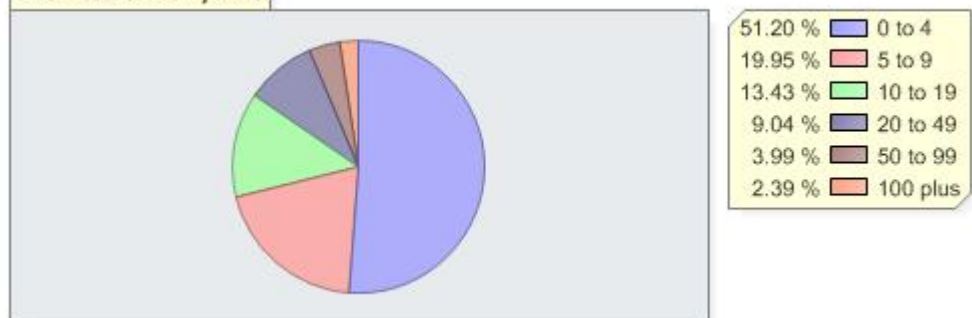


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

### Firms by Size, 2008:3

	Number of Business Units, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	385	51.2%
5 to 9 employees	150	19.9%
10 to 19 employees	101	13.4%
20 to 49 employees	68	9.0%
50 to 99 employees	30	4.0%
100 plus employees	18	2.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Business Units by Size**

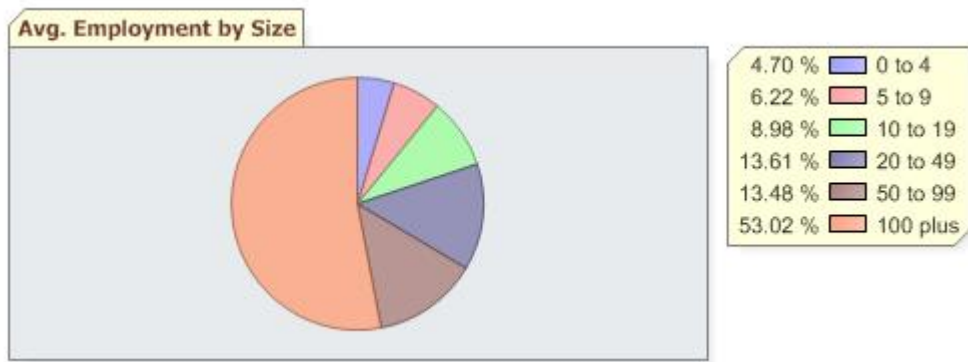


Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.

### Avg. Employment by Business Unit Size, 2008:3

	Avg. Employment, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	731	4.7%
5 to 9 employees	967	6.2%
10 to 19 employees	1,397	9.0%
20 to 49 employees	2,117	13.6%
50 to 99 employees	2,097	13.5%
100 plus employees	8,247	53.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,555</b>	<b>100.0%</b>





Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.